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COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL
RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing on developing a reliable supply of oil from domestic oil shale and oil sands resources has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 10 a.m., in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss opportunities to advance technology that will facilitate environmentally friendly development of oil shale and oil sands resources. The hearing will address legislative and administrative actions necessary to provide incentives for industry investment, as well as explore concerns and experiences of other governments and organizations and the interests of industry.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Dick Bouts at (202) 224-7545 or Amy Millet at (202) 224-8276.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing on S. 113, a bill to modify the date as of which certain tribal land of the Lytton Rancheria of California is deemed to be held in trust.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at 224-2251.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO
MEET

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 4, 2005 at 2 p.m., in open and closed session to receive testimony on strategic forces and nuclear weapons issues in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2006.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at 4:45 p.m., on

Tuesday, the Senate proceed to a vote on adoption of a resolution which is at the desk relating to the passing of Pope John Paul II.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I understand there is an announcement to be made.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET FOR
THE UNITED STATES GOVERN-
MENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
2006

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate proceeds to the consideration of H. Con. Res. 95; all after the resolving clause is stricken; the text of S. Con. Res. 18, as agreed to by the Senate, is inserted in lieu thereof; H. Con. Res. 95, as amended, is agreed to. The Senate insists on its amendment and requests a conference with the House, and the Chair appoints Mr. GREGG, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. SARBANES, and Mrs. MURRAY conferees on the part of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 95), as amended, was agreed to.

RELATING TO THE DEATH OF
HOWELL T. HEFLIN, FORMER
UNITED STATES SENATOR FOR
THE STATE OF ALABAMA

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 93, submitted earlier today by Senator REID and others.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 93) relative to the death of Howell T. Heflin, former United States Senator for the State of Alabama.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, and that any statements relating to this resolution be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 93) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 93

Whereas Howell Heflin served as a United States Marine from 1942-1946 and was awarded the Silver Star for bravery;

Whereas Howell Heflin served as Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court from 1971-1977;

Whereas Howell Heflin served the people of Alabama with distinction for 18 years in the United States Senate; and

Whereas Howell Heflin served the Senate as Chairman of the Select Committee on

Ethics in the ninety-sixth and one hundred-second Congresses;

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Howell T. Heflin, former member of the United States Senate.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Howell T. Heflin.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 5,
2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, the Senate stand in adjournment until 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, April 5. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the following 30 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee. I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party lunches.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, tomorrow the Senate will be in a period of morning business. We are working with the Democratic leadership to reach an agreement with respect to the State Department authorization bill. It is my hope and expectation we will be able to structure an orderly debate of this measure and begin its consideration early tomorrow.

In addition to the State Department authorization bill, we have a resolution relative to the passing of Pope John Paul II. We have just scheduled a vote on adoption of the resolution for 4:45 p.m. tomorrow, and that will be the first vote of the day.

I also remind everyone that tomorrow evening, after we have finished work on the State Department authorization, our two policy committees will have a debate on the issue of Social Security. This 70-minute debate will take place on the Senate floor, and I encourage all Members to listen to this important question-and-answer session.

We have a lot of work to do this week, and given the events scheduled at the Vatican, and President Yushchenko's address to Congress on Wednesday, we will need to make the most of our time. Rollcall votes will occur during tomorrow's session and throughout the remainder of the week as we try to complete work on the State Department authorization.